

MINUTES

UTAH Professional Counselor Licensing Board MEETING

November 4, 2008

**Room 474 – 9:00 a.m.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

CONVENED: 9:07 A.M.

ADJOURNED: 3:55 P.M.

**Bureau Manager:
Board Secretary:**

Rich Oborn
Lee Avery

Board Members Present:

Russell C. Gaede, Psy.D. Chairperson
Dean Workman
Gloria Miley
Rodger Bischoff
Jason H. King

DOPL Staff Present:

F. David Stanley, Division Director
Wayne Holman, Chief License/Invest. Manager
Connie Call, Compliance Specialist

Guests:

Jan Schuurman
Juergen Konbanka, University of Phoenix
Penny Dahlen, University of Phoenix
Steve Barney, Southern Utah University
Representative Ronda R. Menlove
Dr. Julie Smart, Utah State University
Jerri Sena, Utah Mental Health Counselors Assoc.
Kristin Jones, University of Utah
Colleen Sandoiz, Westminster College
Janie Wanlass, Ph. D., Westminster College
Laura Bennett-Murphy, Westminster College
Darren Adamson, Argosy University

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

MINUTES:

The minutes for September 9, 2008 were reviewed.
Mr. Workman motioned to accept the minutes with

changes, seconded by Mr. Bischoff. The motion carried unanimously.

COMPLIANCE REPORT

Connie Call, Compliance Specialist

#1. Kara Heugly is in compliance with her stipulation. The Division received her reports. Ms. Heugly's supervisor, Mr. Henroid, noted that he supports early termination of Ms. Heugly's probation with the Board.

Discussion:

The Board talked about releasing Ms. Heugly from her probation. As of December 17, 2008 Ms. Heugly has completed half of her probation with the Division.

#2. Laura Fullmer is in compliance with her stipulation. The Division has received her reports.

#3. Richard Schuurman is a new probationer. His license is on probation because of sexual misconduct. Mr. Schuurman submitted a vitae from Michele Tanner, LCSW and proposed that the Board and Division approve her as his supervisor. The term of his probation is for three (3) years.

Discussion:

The Board briefly discussed Mr. Schuurman's proposed supervisor. Mr. King advised the Board that he and Mr. Schuurman attended school together, noting that there has not been a lot of contact between them since that time.

Ms. Call advised the Board that Mr. Dutton is in compliance with his stipulation and is doing well.

Mr. Oborn advised the Board that Judge Eklund would send the Board a letter regarding Ms. Kane is hearing once he completes a formal draft of the decision.

Mr. Oborn reviewed the application submitted by Ms. Stacy Mason.

Mr. Oborn reviewed the letter submitted by Ms. Marci Srianan. Dr. Gaede stated that Ms. Srianan was

one of his students. She has her degree in school counseling and is now taking additional courses for her Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC).

Mr. Oborn reviewed the letter submitted by Mr. Steven Barney.

Mr. Oborn reviewed the proposed changes to the Professional Counselor Practice Act Rules.

APPOINTMENTS:

Kara Heugly, Probation Interview

Ms. Heugly presented herself to the Board. Mr. Bischoff conducted the interview. Ms. Heugly advised the Board that she is doing well. Ms. Heugly stated that her services vary; she does not specialize in any specific area. She works a lot with marriage counseling and substance abuse evaluations. There is a judge in the area that refers substance abuse evaluations to her. She tries to keep her work hours to forty (40) hours a week. Ms. Heugly stated that she continues to work well with her supervisor. He has given her several valuable suggestions regarding her cases. She is developing a support system with other professionals and has completed extra continuing education courses. Ms. Heugly stated that they review her cases together and she keeps in contact with her supervisor through phone calls and e-mails. She does not hesitate to turn to him for assistance. The Board noted that Ms. Heugly has been pro-active with her probation. She has been consistently in compliance with her stipulation. The Board talked about releasing Ms. Heugly early from her probation. Mr. Bischoff motioned to terminate Ms. Heugly's probation, seconded by Mr. Workman. The motion carried unanimously.

Laura Fullmer, Probation Interview

Ms. Fullmer presented herself to the Board. Dr. Gaede conducted the interview. Ms. Fullmer advised the Board that she continues to look for employment. Ms. Fullmer gave the Board a copy of the psychological evaluation completed by Dr. Joan Zone. Mr. Workman motioned to close the meeting at 10:40 A.M. to discuss Ms. Fullmer's psychological evaluation, seconded by Ms. Miley. The motion

carried unanimously. There were no written notes or recordings made during this time. The meeting opened up at 10:48 A.M. The Board asked Ms. Fullmer if she was still receiving harassing phone calls. She stated the calls stopped once she contacted her probation officer of the person making the call. The Board asked to see Ms. Fullmer on January 27, 2009. **Ms. Fullmer is in compliance with her stipulation.**

Richard Schuurman, New Probation Interview

Mr. Schuurman presented himself to the Board with his wife, Jan Schuurman. The Board introduced itself to Mr. and Mrs. Schuurman. The Board noted that board member Jason King knew Mr. Schuurman from school. Mr. Schuurman stated he had no concerns regarding Mr. King participating in his interviews. Mr. Workman conducted the interview. Mr. Workman briefly reviewed the probation process with Mr. Schuurman. Mr. Schuurman advised the Board that he had developed a dual relationship with a client. This client, Jane Doe, had advised Mrs. Schuurman that she would not contact the Division. Mr. Schuurman stated that this was a huge error in judgment on his part and decided he needed to self-report the incident to the Division. Mr. Schuurman contacted his therapist, who assisted him with contacting the Division. Mr. Schuurman stated he was working about forty-five (45) hours a week in his private practice and teaching classes in the evenings. Mr. Workman motioned to close the meeting at 11:24 A.M. to discuss Mr. Schuurman's psychological evaluation, seconded by Mr. King. There were no written notes or recordings made during this time. The meeting opened up at 11:42 A.M. Mr. Schuurman stated that he now realizes he should have referred Jane Doe to another therapist. Mr. Schuurman stated that he resigned from his position at Highland Ridge Hospital and he has cut back on his work schedule. He is now working more with Bi-polar disorder and Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) in teens and adults. The Board briefly reviewed Mr. Schuurman's stipulation. Mr. Schuurman submitted a vitae for Dr. Jeremy Chiles for Board approval as Mr. Schuurman's therapist. Mr. Schuurman advised the Board that Dr. Chiles helped him in reporting his dual relationship to the Division. Mr. King motioned to accept Dr. Chiles

as Mr. Schuurman's therapist, seconded by Mr. Workman. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Workman motioned to accept Shelly Tanner, LCSW, as Mr. Schuurman's supervisor, seconded by Ms. Miley. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Workman motioned to change the therapy reports from Dr. Chile to trimester to be in conjunction with his Board meetings, seconded by Ms. Miley. The motion carried unanimously. The Board clarified that Mr. Schuurman's supervisor reports are due monthly for the first six (6) months and the therapist reports are due quarterly. The Board noted the psychological evaluation received from Dr. Pompa did not include the psychosexual evaluation required in Mr. Schuurman's stipulation. Mr. Oborn will contact Dr. Pompa regarding this discrepancy. The Board asked to see Mr. Schuurman on January 27, 2009. **Mr. Schuurman is in compliance with his stipulation.**

Stacy Mason, Application Review

Ms. Mason presented herself to the Board. The Board introduced itself. The Board reviewed Ms. Mason's application and education in detail. The Board noted deficiencies in the following categories of course work: (1) missing three semester credit hours of course work in research and evaluation; (2) missing 6 credit hours of internship including 900 clock hours of supervised counseling. Mr. Workman motioned to deny the license based on the deficiencies noted above, seconded by Mr. Bischoff. The motion carried unanimously. The Board further noted that Ms. Mason may qualify for a Certified Professional Counselor Extern license once she completes coursework sufficient to remedy the internship deficiency. As an Extern, Ms. Mason could later reapply for the Certified Professional Counselor Intern license after completing course work needed in the other two categories. Mr. Oborn stated that he would give Ms. Mason the option of withdrawing her application at this time. She needs to notify Mr. Oborn by Monday, November 10, 2008.

Marci Srianan, Review Experience Requirement

Ms. Srianan presented herself to the Board. The Board introduced itself. Dr. Gaede stated that Ms. Srianan was one of his students. Ms. Srianan stated she had no problem with Dr. Gaede participating in her interview. Ms. Srianan advised the Board that she

completed her internship in a school setting. According to Ms. Srianan, an internship in a school setting was acceptable at that time; however, the Board and Division currently interpret the law to require that internships not be completed in a school setting. Ms. Srianan claims to be aware of several individuals who were issued professional counselor licenses after completing their internship through the school setting. The Board advised Ms. Srianan that neither it nor the Division have knowingly approved applications with internships completed in school settings. The Board advised Ms. Srianan that the changes in the proposed rule would further clarify this requirement. The Board advised Ms. Srianan that the educational requirement is not expected to change. Therefore, her education should still be good for licensure once she completes an internship in an approved setting. Ms. Srianan thanked the Board for meeting with her.

Discussion of Proposed Changes to the Professional Counselor Practice Act Rules

Taken out of order on the agenda:

The Board reviewed the proposed changes to the Professional Counselor Practice Act Rules. The following public visitors joined the discussion. Juergen Konbanka, University of Phoenix; Penny Dahlen, University of Phoenix; Steve Barney, Southern Utah University; Rep. Ronda R. Menlove; Dr. Julie Smart, Utah State University; Jerri Sena; Kristin Jones; Colleen Sandoiz, Westminster College; Janie Wanlass, Ph. D., Westminster College; Laura Bennett-Murphy, Westminster College; and Darren Adamson, Argosy University. The Board provided visitors participating in the meeting a copy of the latest draft of the proposed changes. The discussion primarily focused on the following revisions to the rules: (1) clarification of the definition of an approved internship; (2) clarification of several education curriculum requirements; (4) clarification of degree type and education accreditation required for licensure; and (5) adding completion of training in ethics to the CE requirement. Mr. Oborn agreed to make the suggested revisions and distribute a copy of the updated version of proposed rules to the board members and other interested parties prior to the next board meeting on January 27, 2009. The updated draft will be reviewed at the next board meeting. The Board

made no motions at this time.

Dr. Julie Smart reviewed with the Board documents she prepared regarding Utah State University's Rehabilitation Counseling Masters Program. Dr. Smart stated that the need for rehabilitation counselors is growing. Dr. Smart and Rep. Menlove recommended that the Board and Division revise the rules to be more accommodative of applicants with Master of Rehabilitation Counseling degrees in that have CORE accreditation. The Board and Division noted that applicants with such degrees could be approved for licensure as long as their course work satisfied curriculum requirements set forth in rule. The coursework of such applicants would need to reflect an emphasis in mental health therapy. Applicants with Master of Rehabilitation Counseling degrees would need to make arrangements to make their internship experience consistent with the administrative rule's definition of an internship.

Steven Barney, Southern Utah University
Counseling Program

Dr. Barney presented himself to the Board. Dr. Barney advised the Board that the Southern University of Utah is expanding its programs and gave the Board a copy of the proposal for its Master of Mental Health Counseling Degree. Dr. Barney stated that they have reviewed the Utah educational requirements and the Council for Accreditation of Counseling Programs (CACREP) requirements and feels this program meets all the needed educational standards. Dr. Barney stated that he is requesting the Board review the training, proposed curriculum, and offer advice regarding any licensure concerns their students may encounter. Dr. Barney stated they are hoping to start enrolling students in the program in the fall of 2010. The Board took no action.

Kristien Keown, Application Review

Kristien Keown, application review for Certified Professional Counselor Intern (CPCI). Ms. Keown presented herself to the Board. The Board introduced itself. The Board reviewed the application and education submitted by Ms. Keown. Mr. Workman motioned to deny Ms. Keown's application for a professional counselor extern license. Ms. Keown

needs to complete three (3) semester courses in Advanced Mental Assessment and two (2) credits of practicum or submit additional information showing she has completed the above requirements. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bischoff. The motion carried unanimously.

APPLICATION REVIEW

Teresa Dillion, Certified Professional Counselor, Extern

The Board reviewed the application submitted by Ms. Dillion. Mr. Bischoff motioned to deny Ms. Dillion's request for licensure because of several deficiencies in her education, seconded by Ms. Miley. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSISON ITEMS:

None at this time

BOARD MEETINGS:

Note* there has been a change in the 2009 Board Meetings:

Board Meetings tentatively scheduled for 2009:
January 27, March 17, May 19,
July 28, September 15, November 17

Motion to adjourn at 3: 55 P.M.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

January 27, 2009
Date Approved

(ss) Russell Gaede, Psy
Russell Gaede, Psy., Chairperson, Utah Professional Counselor Licensing Board

January 22, 2009
Date Approved

(ss) Richard Oborn
Richard Oborn, Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing